



Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook August 11 - 17, 2016

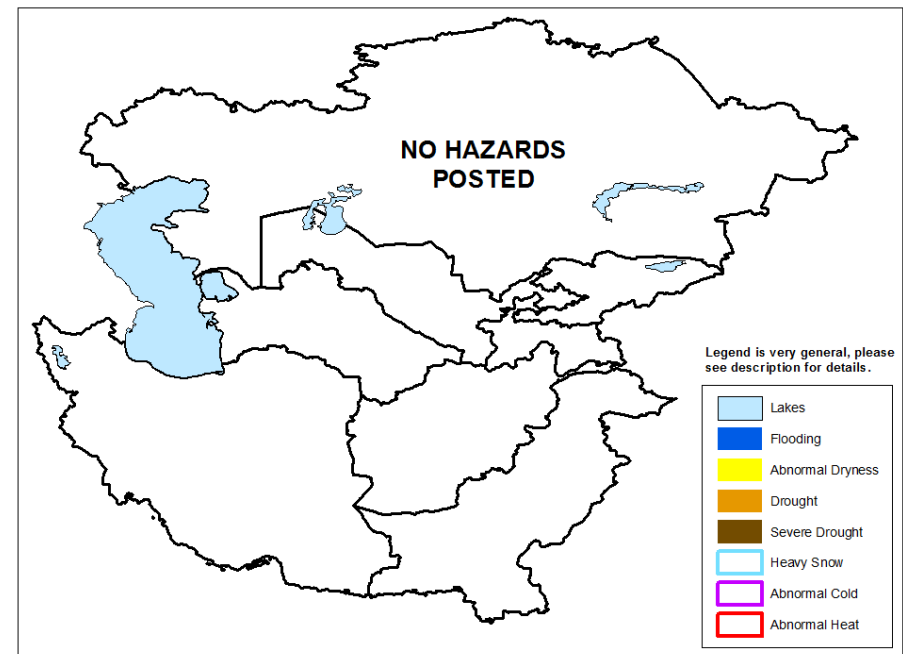
Temperatures:

Temperatures averaged near to slightly below-normal across much of the region from July 31 to August 6 except for western Kazakhstan where temperatures were 1 to 4 degrees C above-normal. The GFS model indicates that seasonal temperatures prevail across Central Asia during the next week with the hottest temperatures (near 40 degrees C) across parts of Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.

Precipitation

Locally heavy rain (more than 25 mm) was observed this week across eastern Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan. Heavy rain expanded into southern Pakistan where rainfall amounts ranged from 25 to 100 mm. This increase in rainfall ended the short-term rainfall deficits that had developed during July. The CPC unified gauge analysis indicates that precipitation has averaged at or above-normal throughout the entire region during the past 30 days.

During the next week, scattered showers and thundershowers (locally more than 25 mm) is forecast across Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Pakistan. Mostly dry weather is expected across the remainder of the region.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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